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Dear Bill,

Thanks ever so much for your most thoughtful letter of congratulations. I need and appreciate the support of good friends like yourself because the challenge ahead is great. I'll do my best to live up to your and the President's expectations. It was difficult even to think of leaving the Navy in effect to take this assignment, but when the Commander-in-Chief speaks.... I am thoroughly enjoying the first few weeks and look forward to lots of excitement ahead.

Was surprised to see your address Know you and Jean must be enjoying it there and hope our paths will cross again before long.

In the meantime, many thanks and all the best.

Yours,

STANSFIELD TURNER Admiral, U.S. Navy

Commander William C. Young, U.S. Navy (Ret.)

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Admiral Stanfield Turner, USN Commander in Chief, Allied Forces Southern Europe, Naples, Italy FPO New York 09524

Dear Stan,

My warm and sincere congratulations on your selection as Director of the Central Intelligency Agency.

Not exactly what I had hoped for you Stan. Ever since our days together on the USS MORTON, and following your career since, I had hoped to see you in the role as CNO and later as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs. Two jobs in which you would lend strength and character to the U.S. Navy and the Armed Forces. I shall continue to focus my thoughts in that perspective.

President Carter has made an outstanding choice and you will be a superb Director. Again my congratulations to you and Pat.

Very respectfully,

William C. Young